

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS
Minutes of Rossford City Council Meeting
Held August 24, 2015

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Neil Mackinnon III followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL: Oberdorf, Marquette, Ruse, Wagner, and Minarcin all present. Mr. Wagner moved and Mr. Oberdorf seconded the motion to excuse Mrs. Eckel. All ayes. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Approval of regular council meeting minutes of August 10, 2015. Mr. Minarcin moved and Mr. Oberdorf seconded the motion to approve the minutes. All ayes. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Agenda for regular council meeting of August 24, 2015 was presented to council. Ordinance #2015-42 and Economic Development committee report were added to the agenda. Mr. Wagner moved and Mr. Minarcin seconded the motion to accept the agenda as amended. All ayes.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Economic Development committee report from August 14th was presented by Mr. Ruse (see written report). Mr. Oberdorf asked if we are talking to anyone yet regarding the Master Plan and Mr. Ruse said the committee is looking at funding sources before going out for a RFQ from potential service providers. He said we need to start showing some progress and have a commitment to moving forward in our community. He noted that Linda Amos said we could divide up the formulation of the Master Plan into segments to make funding easier.

REPORT OF MAYOR AND/OR ADMINISTRATOR

Mr. Scott said that the 2015 paving punch list is completed and the contractor did a great job. He said the Colony Rd. pump station project will begin next week on E. Elm Tree and continue into April 2016 with resurfacing of that street and then move to Colony Rd. with resurfacing being done in the fall of 2016. He noted that last weekend was a great weekend beginning with movie night at Vets Park which had good attendance, continuing with the softball tournament, great attendance at Riverfest, and concluding with the Wounded Warrior Run on Sunday which had 200 runners and coverage from Channel 13. He said Mr. Ledesma, Chief Drouard, Chief Goss, and Mr. Kolb all were instrumental in the functions that went on saying that Mr. Ledesma really stepped up in his first month on the job. He informed council that the Halloween Parade is scheduled for October 25 and that the Halloween Trail will be the same night as Trick or Treat for the older kids and the following the parade for the younger ones. The Haunted Trail will be on October 31 from 8-10pm.in conjunction with the RHS Drama Club. *Mr. Marquette moved and Mr. Staczek seconded the motion to have Trick or Treat on Saturday, October 31 from 6-8pm. All ayes. Motion carried.*

Mr. Staczek asked if there is a plan in place to avoid the chaos we had last year on Trick or Treat night such as limiting or closing roads to traffic. Mr. Scott said he will get with Chief Goss to review but it was noted that last year our night was a different date from surrounding communities which contributed to the traffic problems. Mr. Scott said the TIF will pay for the repaving of Crossroads Parkway which is estimated to be \$870,000 with bids going out tomorrow with two possible completion dates. Mr. Ruse said getting it done this year saves the road from getting worse and Mr. Scott said it would depend if we get a bid from a contractor that has an opening for work this fall.

Mr. Oberdorf moved and Mr. Marquette seconded the motion to allow the administrator to go out for bids for the repaving of Crossroads Parkway. All ayes. Motion carried.

Mr. Scott said he will be making application for an OPWC loan for storm water improvement in the Windsor Dr. /Hoffman Rd. area. It will be about \$4500 for Mannik & Smith to prepare the application. Mr. Minarcin asked if we have looked at the alleys in town for drainage problems and Mr. Scott said not yet.

Mayor Mackinnon presented proclamation for two RHS bowling teams, the boys team was league champions and the girls team qualified for the state tournament with a 16-4 record. He presented a check for \$5000 from the Law

Enforcement Trust Fund to Wood County Sheriff Mark Wasylyshyn for the Wood County SRT for services they do for the city. The sheriff said he appreciated the donation as SRT equipment and training is expensive. He said the biggest contribution Rossford makes to the SRT unit is Sergeant Marek who is a devoted and dedicated team leader.

CORRESPONDENCE

Council was informed of one piece of correspondence received from the Ohio Division of Liquor Control which was the amount of our 35% distribution for renewal of liquor licenses in the city.

ORDINANCES

#2015 – 38 - AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR TO PURCHASE GENERAL LIABILITY AND PROPERTY INSURANCE COVERAGE; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. SECOND READING.

Mr. Wagner moved and Mr. Staczek seconded the motion to read by title only. All ayes. Motion carried. Mr. Scott said this needs to pass this evening. Mr. Ruse asked Mrs. Freeman about the bond requirement for any employees that handle money. Mrs. Freeman said this insurance includes an additional coverage so that this is not required. Mr. Wagner moved and Mr. Ruse seconded the motion to suspend with the third reading. Audience comments were requested and none received. Vote on the motion all ayes. Motion carried. Mr. Wagner moved and Mr. Ruse seconded the motion to declare an emergency. All ayes. Motion carried. Mr. Wagner moved and Mr. Ruse seconded the motion to adopt. All ayes. Motion carried.

#2015 – 39 - AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT TO PROVIDE HEALTH CARE BENEFITS FOR THE EMPLOYEES OF THE CITY OF ROSSFORD; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

Mr. Minarcin moved and Mr. Staczek seconded the motion to read by title only. All ayes. Motion carried. Mr. Scott said this can go three readings and that the increase is about 9%. Mr. Marquette asked if this was part of the negotiated contracts for the unions and Mr. Scott said yes and that the unions are looking at now and Kent Murphree is drawing up some language should something change next year causing a large excise tax that would allow a reopener of contracts just for insurance. He noted all contracts are due at the end of this year. Mr. Wagner asked if this fulfills the requirements of the union agreements and was told yes by Mr. Scott. Mr. Staczek moved and Mr. Oberdorf seconded the motion to suspend with the second and third reading. Audience comments were requested and none received. Vote on the motion all ayes. Motion carried. Mr. Staczek moved and Mr. Minarcin seconded the motion to adopt. All ayes. Motion carried.

#2015 – 40 - AN ORDINANCE LEVYING SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS FOR THE COST OF IMPROVING HILLSIDE DRIVE, WEST OF COLONY ROAD IN ROSSFORD, WOOD COUNTY, OHIO, TOGETHER WITH THE NECESSARY APPURTENANCES.

Mr. Staczek moved and Mr. Wagner seconded the motion to read by title only. All ayes. Motion carried. Mr. Scott said an error was found in Ordinance #2015-30 in that we ignored the agreement for credit for those properties that already had existing sidewalks prior to the project. Mr. Ruse moved and Mr. Minarcin seconded the motion to suspend with the second and third reading. Audience comments were requested and none received. Vote on the motion all ayes. Motion carried. Mr. Ruse moved and Mr. Minarcin seconded the motion to declare an emergency. All ayes. Motion carried. Mr. Ruse moved and Mr. Minarcin seconded the motion to adopt. All ayes. Motion carried.

#2015 – 41 - AN ORDINANCE REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 2015-30

Mr. Staczek moved and Mr. Minarcin seconded the motion to read by title only. All ayes. Motion carried. Mr. Staczek moved and Mr. Minarcin seconded the motion to suspend with the third reading. Audience comments were requested and none received. Vote on the motion all ayes. Motion carried. Mr. Staczek moved and Mr. Minarcin seconded the motion to adopt. All ayes. Motion carried.

#2015-42 - AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ADMINISTRATION TO DISPOSE OF CERTAIN SURPLUS PROPERTY NOT NEEDED FOR ANY MUNICIPAL PURPOSE AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Mr. Wagner moved and Mr. Minarcin seconded the motion to read by title only. All ayes. Motion carried. Mr. Scott said we have the opportunity to sell all the canine equipment except for the cage. Mr. Minarcin asked what

the sale price is and Chief Goss said we will not know until Waterville Township trustees meet on Wednesday. Mr. Ruse noted that the decision to get rid of the dog and equipment was made outside of committee. He understood that the officer was leaving and that the dog may be injured yet other places still retain a canine unit and wondered why we are so eager to get rid of the equipment. Mr. Wagner said it would be \$15,000 for a new dog and training an officer and we don't have that in the budget in the next two or three years. He said keeping the equipment is not feasible because in two or three years it would not fit in a newer vehicle. Mr. Heban said the ORC says the canine officer has the right to purchase the dog for \$1.00 based on the dog's attachment to the officer. Mr. Wagner moved and Mr. Minarcin seconded the motion to suspend with the second and third reading. Audience comments were requested and none received. Vote on the motion all ayes. Motion carried. Mr. Wagner moved and Mr. Minarcin seconded the motion to declare an emergency. All ayes. Motion carried. Mr. Wagner moved and Mr. Minarcin seconded the motion to adopt. All ayes. Motion carried.

RESOLUTIONS

None

COUNCIL REMARKS

Mr. Staczek said that everyone did an awesome job on Riverfest including the marina guards.

Mr. Oberdorf said Riverfest was a total team and great effort from so many people.

Mr. Marquette said he would like the public safety committee to look at how efficient the police dog was while we had him and that he hates to get rid of that safety aspect of our police department. He also does not like seeing the weeds growing in the downtown sidewalks.

Mr. Minarcin thanked the Rossford Beautification Committee for sprucing up the downtown saying it looks beautiful. He also complimented the great fireworks display at Riverfest.

Mr. Oberdorf asked if anyone saw a need for a September Committee of the Whole meeting.

Mr. Staczek moved and Mr. Marquette seconded the motion to suspend with the September committee of the whole meeting. All ayes. Motion carried.

Mr. Ruse asked where progress is on the repairs to the Ford Memorial. Mr. Scott responded said he had just received a quote this evening for repairs. Mayor Mackinnon said he is looking at prices for a bronze statue and plaque to replace the etched glass. He said the cost would be about \$20,000.

AUDIENCE REMARKS

Jeff Appelhans, 177 Hannum, said he signed up for the unlimited yard waste pickup two months late and thus will pay \$42 for six months which means it would have been \$40 for the two additional months and said someone needs to check on this.

Bob Densic, 107 Birch Dr., congratulated Mr. Ledesma for a great job on Riverfest and asked for an update on the improvements to the entrance to the Glenwood athletic complex. Mayor Mackinnon said the plans are being reviewed by the schools' architect and it will get done this year.

Mr. Staczek moved and Mr. Wagner seconded the motion to adjourn. All ayes. Motion carried.

*Neil Mackinnon III
Mayor*

*Robert P. Watrol
Clerk of Council*